Like community schools, parks, and hospitals, public power utilities such as Central Lincoln work to meet local needs. Public power means communities served have more control, so the benefits produced by public power—including affordable electricity costs, reliable service, and a focus on local goals—are shared by the communities we serve.

October is Public Power Month, and we'll be celebrating! In our offices in Florence, Newport, and Reedsport we'll be:

- Serving coffee and cookies October 5-9
- Collecting canned and other non-perishable foods for local food banks all month
- Drawing for a free iPad mini in each of those offices

How to enter the drawings? Online at clpud.org, or, an "I Know My Central Lincoln" contest entry form is in your billing envelope. (Some of the contest answers are in this issue of Coastlines, and the rest can be found in various places on our website: clpud.org). Contest entry forms with seven or more correct answers will be entered in our drawings for an iPad mini! One entry per account only please.

The term "public power" means we are owned by the people and the communities we serve. Central Lincoln provides electricity in a large 700-square-mile district, which includes ten cities, parts of four counties, and 38,600 meters district-wide. The electricity we sell you comes from hydroelectric dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers; the Columbia Generating Station, a nuclear facility in Washington; wind power; and small hydropower facilities.
### What Does It Cost to Run a....?

**Estimated prices to run home appliances with our residential 7¢ per kWh rate**

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<th>Appliance</th>
<th>Watts</th>
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<td>Air Conditioner (window unit)</td>
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*These are estimates. Your results may vary.

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**A Great Deal? Check Out Our HPWH Rebates**

If you have an electric water heater at home, water heating may account for 15-20% of your electricity costs. A heat pump water heater (HPWH) may help you save up to 50% of those costs every month.

Until December 31 this year, GE is offering a $300 discount on GeoSpring heat pump water heaters. Here in Oregon, these GE water heaters may be purchased for as little as $699 for the 50-gallon models—for which Central Lincoln’s rebate is $500. 80-gallon models may be found for $1,299, and the Central Lincoln rebate is $1,000. (In order to get these rebates, a qualifying HPWH must be installed by an approved installer.)

And, the state of Oregon is offering tax credits for the purchase and installation of HPWHs. Those tax credits won’t pay for installation, but they can help with plumbing fittings and the cost of a HPWH that isn’t covered by Central Lincoln’s rebates. On the Central Coast, stores such as Roby’s, Sears, and Coast to Coast sell GE GeoSpring HPWHs. (Go to [www.geospring.com](http://www.geospring.com) and click "Where to Buy" for more locations.)

In part, HPWHs work by taking heat out of the air around them. So they work well in garages and attics. And they serve as dehumidifiers also. To find out if a HPWH is a good option for you, call our energy experts at 1-888-883-9879. They can also tell you how to apply and qualify for our HPWH rebate. Please make certain to call them before you purchase or install an HPWH.